

III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On Page 1, after the title, please add:

CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

Applicant claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 based on the prior foreign patent application JP 2002-334122 filed in the country of Japan on November 18, 2002, a certified copy of which was filed on May 3, 2004, with the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

On Page 1, paragraph [0003]:

In a slot machine in a related art, to ~~resolve~~ resolve the situation in which the vicinity of an exit to which game medium such as medals are paid out, which will be hereinafter referred to as medal payout opening, is dark and is hard to see, light emitted from illumination light provided in a decorative panel is introduced into the medal payout opening for illumination. A semitransparent plate is screwed and placed between the illumination light and the medal payout opening, thereby to produce the decorative effect and the advertising effectiveness.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

~~A gaming machine 1 includes: a symbol row display means (for example, left reel 3L, center reel 3C, right reel 3R) for displaying a plurality of symbols for causing a player to align symbols; an operation input means of a lever or a button (for example, start lever 6, left stop button 7L, center stop button 7C, right stop button 7R) operated by the player to play a game; an internal lottery means (for example, main~~

~~control circuit 71) for carrying out an internal lottery of a game using a random number; an illumination means (for example, illumination light member 104) for illuminating a tray (for example, medal reception tray 16) formed on a cabinet of the gaming machine 1; and a transparent member (for example, transparent member 105) placed detachably between the illumination means 104 and the tray 16. A gaming machine includes: a symbol row display device (for example, left reel 3L, center reel 3C, right reel 3R) for displaying a plurality of symbols for causing a player to align symbols; an operation input device of a lever or a button (for example, start lever 6, left stop button 7L, center stop button 7C, right stop button 7R) operated by the player to play a game; an internal lottery device (for example, main control circuit 71) for carrying out an internal lottery of a game using a random number; an illumination device (for example, illumination light member 104) for illuminating a tray (for example, medal reception tray 16) formed on a cabinet of the gaming machine 1; and a transparent member (for example, transparent member 105) placed detachably between the illumination device 104 and the tray 16.~~